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Dr. Wright told a story about Mrs. Pat Campbell, who had sent her favorite dog to a veterinarian for examination. The vet came to see Mrs. Campbell, said the condition of the pet was hopeless, and he should be put into a lethal chamber. Mrs. Campbell replied, "But would he use it?"

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The Dominican Ambassador, Dr. Godoy, an unusually pleasant man, paid a return call on me this morning.

Mr. Fisher and Mr. Cyzak, Government lawyers, explained to me their recent activities in attempting to locate and prepare, if necessary, to block Laotian funds deposited in London banks. It seems likely that about eight million dollars is involved, on deposit at branches of the Bank of Tokyo and the Chase Manhattan Bank of New York. Various legal problems would be posed by any attempt to carry through this operation. They cherish hope that if the U.S. Government should cease to recognize the present Laotian Government, there would not be so many impediments. They are going back to Washington to report.

Prescott Bush, Jr. came to see me, with Norbert Berkeley, Vice President of the Chemical New York Trust Company. Bush thinks his father has a little better than a fifty-fifty chance for re-election to the Senate from Connecticut this autumn. His opponent, Abe Ribicoff, is, of course, a formidable campaigner, and a talented, attractive man. Norbert Berkeley is a son of the former Dorothea Randolph, whom I knew well when I was a boy in Baltimore. His grandfather, Dr. Randolph, was one of the most distinguished doctors in the city. His mother, her two sisters and two brothers, all sang like birds.

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